

WORLD POLITICS



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Overview

How are foreign policies made? What does the rise of China mean for international order? How is the nature of warfare changing? Are nation-states becoming irrelevant in a globalising world? What explains the rise of Islamism in the Middle East? These are some of the important questions explored by our students of the major World Politics.

Providing answers means engaging with some of the most pressing contemporary global issues, such as sovereignty, intervention, migration, culture, religion, peace, terrorism and much more. It also means understanding the roles played by the many different actors in world politics, from nation states and international organisations to individuals, NGO's, social movements and multinational corporations.

Major Tracks:

- > International Relations and Diplomacy
- > Transnational Politics
- > Peace and Conflict Studies

Combined Tracks:

- > Global History
- > Gender Studies

Issues of security and peace



World Politics is organised around the global challenge Peace & Justice, locating issues of security and peace within the broader context of international relations and transnational politics. The major will equip you with the knowledge and skills to understand the shape of political relations in a globalising world and their connection to peace and security.

You will become familiar with the most important theories, actors, institutions and issues in world politics at the global and regional levels. As a student of World Politics, you may find yourself:

- > exploring the historical development of the international state system or the evolution of norms governing warfare;
- > critically reflecting on key contemporary trends in world politics, such as humanitarian intervention, European integration or terrorism;
- > sharpening your research and analytical skills on pressing international problems such as nuclear proliferation or conflict resolution;
- > thinking creatively with others about possible responses to the rise of IS.



Field trip to Brussels

What are LUC graduates doing?

World Politics offers a broad intellectual training that equips graduates for a wide range of roles in the public and private sectors. Courses are designed to foster transferable and career-relevant skills such as holistic and strategic thinking, problem-solving, data collection and analysis, effective communication, and teamwork. Graduates may go on to work as:

- > civil servants
- > policy advisors in non-governmental and international organisations
- > diplomats
- > social and political researchers in think tanks and academia
- > public affairs consultants
- > teachers

As a graduate of World Politics you can access postgraduate programs in:

- > Global Politics/World Politics
- > International studies
- > Political science
- > History
- > International relations

World Politics' alumni have gone on to masters programmes all over the world, including Leiden University, London School of Economics, amongst others.

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